2015 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

Sunday, August 30, 2015

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	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
Ray	-	-	Х	X	3	Х	2	Х		5
Pete	1	-	Х	X	-	Х	-	Х		1
Phil	-	1	Х	X	-	Х	-	Х		1
Matt	-	-	Х	X	-	Х	-	х	2	2

Pete and Ray had the better tee shots to start the day on Sunday, Phil and Matt both finding trouble from the start. Ray found the green but left himself a long putt for birdie while Pete was able to stop his approach within ten feet, an advantage he used when he rolled in a birdie putt to win the first skin. Nobody found the eleventh green....Pete and Ray short, Phil in the rough on the right between the bunkers and Matt in the far right bunker. Pete hit a good chip and Matt a good sand shot but neither could save par, while Phil hit his chip to three feet and made the par putt to win the hole and a skin. Phil and Matt were in the woods on twelve, leaving Ray and Pete in the fairway to battle for a skin. Pete hit his approach just short of the green, made a good chip and saved his par. Ray hit the better approach, onto the green and ten feet away, but when his birdie putt missed he settled for a tie to carry a skin. Good play on thirteen with Pete in the fairway but a long way from the green, hitting a good approach shot that stopped in front. Matt and Ray were longer, Ray in the rough and Matt in the short grass, but neither found the green and had to chip. Pete went first and almost holed his shot, stopping inches away for a par. Matt followed with an equally good chip that ran past the side of the cup and also making par to halve the hole. Even though Ray could not match, the carryover proved to his advantage on fourteen as he was the only player to stay clear of trouble, hazards and penalties, making a routine five to win the hole and three skins. Pete and Ray hit good tee shots on fifteen, finding the green and both made two-putt pars to halve the hole and carry a skin up the hill. Ray took advantage of the carryover again with a bomb of a drive and a great approach shot to ten feet. Although he could not make birdie, a par was sufficient to win the hole, two skins and clinch the daily top spot. He followed with another long drive on seventeen, passing Matt's long drive and stopping about one hundred eighty yards from the pin. Pete kept himself in the hole as well with a good second and a great chip and putt to save his par. It looked like that would not hold, though, after Ray hit his approach to ten feet and Matt inside of that at three feet. Ray's birdie putt tracked perfectly but came up inches short, and Matt pulled his putt outside his line, both settling for pars as well to carry a skin to eighteen, and the race for second place was on. Phil went right, Pete far left, Ray toward the left bunker and Matt in the right rough. Ray hit a spectacular shot over or through the tree, over the trap and skidding to a halt over the green. Matt put his short approach in the right side trap, not taking advantage of the opening. Ray hit a great chip to eighteen inches and Matt a great sand shot to three feet. It looked like the hole would be halved, but after Matt made his putt, Ray uncharacteristically missed his par, giving the hole to Matt, who earned second place points with two skins.

	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt
	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4/26	2.0	3.0	0.5	0.5
5/9	5.0	3.5	2.5	1.0
5/23	6.5	5.0	5.5	1.0
5/24	6.5	8.0	7.5	2.0
5/25	9.0	10.5	7.5	3.0
5/30	9.5	13.5	8.0	5.0
5/31	9.5	16.5	10.0	6.0
6/6	10.0	17.0	13.0	8.0
6/7	12.0	17.5	13.5	11.0
6/20	15.0	17.5	14.5	13.0
7/3	15.0	20.5	16.0	14.5
7/5	17.0	21.0	16.5	17.5
7/11	19.0	21.0	17.5	20.5
8/1	20.0	24.0	18.5	21.5
8/2	21.0	25.0	21.5	22.5
8/8	24.0	26.0	22.5	23.5
8/9	25.0	29.0	22.5	25.5
8/29	28.0	30.5	22.5	27.0
8/30	31.0	31.0	23.0	29.0

# Skins Holes Won- Hole by Hole										
10 11 12 13					14	15	16	17	18	
Ray	1	3	2	4	5	2	3	1	3	24
Pete	3	6	2	2	1	1	4	2	1	22
Phil		1			4	1		4	1	11
Matt	4		3	2		1	6	3	4	23

# Skins Won- Hole by Hole										
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Ray	1	6	5	7	11	2	5	1	4	42
Pete	3	9	4	5	2	2	16	6	2	49
Phil		1			12	2		8	1	24
Matt	4		5	5		1	13	4	5	37

